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INSILC Seeking State Plan on Independent Living (SPIL) Workgroup Members

INDIANAPOLIS – The Indiana Statewide Independent Living Council (INSILC) is seeking workgroup members to provide input and recommendations into the development of its State Plan on Independent Living (SPIL) 2017-2019. The input and recommendations from the workgroups will assist the SPIL Development Committee with the drafting of the State Plan. Workgroups are as follows:

- SPIL Goals & Objectives Workgroup
- SPIL Resource Plan Development Workgroup
- SPIL Evaluation & Outcomes Workgroup

INSILC strongly encourages people with disabilities, Indiana Disability Organization representatives or advocates, and other stakeholders to participate. Individuals interested in participating in one or more of these workgroups, please contact the INSILC Executive Director, Amber O'Haver, by Friday, Feb. 19, 2016 at <a href="mailto:aohaver@insilc.org">aohaver@insilc.org</a>.

The SPIL 2017-2019 Development Committee assists INSILC in drafting Indiana's State Plan on Independent Living, including efforts to increase the public involvement of persons with disabilities in the planning.

INSILC's SPIL 2017-2019 is reviewed and revised not less than once every three years, to ensure the existence of appropriate planning, financial support and coordination, and other assistance to appropriately address, on a statewide and comprehensive basis, the needs in the State for:

- The provision of State independent living services;
- The development and support of a statewide network of centers for independent living;
- Working relationships between programs providing independent living services and independent living centers, the vocational rehabilitation program established under Title I, and other programs providing services for individuals with disabilities.

INSILC's purpose is to develop and facilitate Indiana's three-year State Plan for Independent Living and implement and evaluate the goals, objectives, and activities within the Plan and distribute Rehabilitation Act Title VII, Part B funds allocated by Congress.

Indiana's current SPIL 2014-2016 is available for review at: <a href="http://media.wix.com/ugd/3491b0">http://media.wix.com/ugd/3491b0</a> 3546d95a8ab54b1c80dba82c4b4d179d.pdf

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